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# FBI negotiators come in search for Saavni

Few clues in motive for taking infant last seen in Lower Merion apartment where grandmother killed • Family, investigators say little in second day of search {page 02}

▶ Saavni Venna, seen in this family portrait, was taken sometime between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday.

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## South Jersey girl allegedly killed for bike

Teen brothers charged in murder of Autumn Pasquale • Cops allege boys 'lured' girl for parts to $500 bike {page 04}

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▶ Nutter

# City Hall will pick up cost of after-school tab

Mayor Michael Nutter announced a deal yesterday that will allow city recreation programs and community organizations to use school facilities free of charge and save the cash-strapped district about $1.8 million.

The city will pay $338,000 for 25 schools to remain open an hour later on weekdays and for eight hours on Saturdays, Nutter said. The agreement is expected to benefit 16,000 students involved in city-run recreation programs, along with 100 community organizations.

In February, the school district said it would close all facilities at 7:30 p.m. on weekdays to reduce costs, to much community disdain. To delay implementation of those reductions, the city paid $189,000 for February and March. Since then, the district made changes to reduce the overtime costs and the Department of Parks and Recreation consolidated program schedules.

Deputy Commissioner of Parks and Recreation Leo Dignam said the schools should be able to accommodate the community organizations who use school facilities for sports and cultural activities by also utilizing the 50-plus city-owned recreation centers.

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▶ "Girls Night Out"

## Gals enjoy night out at charity event

**CENTER CITY.** Women from all over gathered at the Shops at Liberty Place last evening for "Girls Night Out," an event co-sponsored by Metro newspaper that donated proceeds to the charity Living Beyond Breast Cancer.

Celebrity guest G-N Kang from Ben FM helped emcee the event that went from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the downtown mall at 16th and Chestnut streets.

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## Parole system eyed in city officer's death

**PENNSYLVANIA.** The head of the state probation and parole board testified yesterday at a public hearing regarding the death of Philadelphia police officer Moses Walker Jr.

Michael Potteiger, chair of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, was called by the House Democratic Policy Committee to discuss the state's parole policy.

One of the two men charged in Walker's murder, 23-year-old Rafael Jones, was released from prison without an electronic monitoring bracelet. METRO

# FBI experts arrive to solve mystery of missing infant

### Baby girl missing since grandmother was found slain in King of Prussia
### Local investigators' search turned up no clues Feds mum on motive

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▶ Family and investigators handed out flyers throughout King of Prussia yesterday.

Agents from two top units at the national headquarters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, including one that specializes in hostage and crisis negotiations, arrived yesterday in Lower Merion to assist in searching for a 10-month-old girl who went missing from the home where her grandmother was found murdered.

The body of Sathyavathi Venna, 61, was found shortly after 1:15 p.m. Monday inside a unit at the Marquis Apartments on the 200 block of West Dekalb Pike in the King of Prussia neighborhood, according to the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office. Her cause of death has not yet been released, but an autopsy was underway yesterday.

Venna was the paternal grandmother of 10-month-old Saavni Venna, who investigators said was under the woman's care during the murder and has not been seen since.

Pennsylvania State Police Monday evening issued an Amber Child Abduction Alert for the child, who they say was taken some time between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

"Right now, we are all devastated," the father's cousin Madhukar Sanikommu said yesterday. "We're hoping that she's safe and that's all I can say at the time. We're hoping she's alive and we can see her again."

Though the FBI called in its Crisis Negotiations Unit from Quantico, Va., to assist in the investigation, Sanikommu said he was unable to comment on whether the family has received a ransom call.

A federal spokesman said that the unit is only providing operational support to local authorities as of yesterday afternoon.

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**Investigation**

Investigators yesterday scoured the sprawling complex, which is sandwiched between a Doubletree Hotel and a cemetery. A parking lot employee said that about 20 officials searched every inch of the property, checking beneath piles of leaves and under parked cars. Authorities pumped out the complex's swimming pool around 1 p.m.

## Parents work as IT engineers

Police said Venna and his wife, Chenchu Latha Punuru, lived together in the apartment with their daughter.

The couple, who both work as software engineers, emigrated from India in February 2007 and previously lived in San Antonio, Troy, Mich., and Cleveland before moving to King of Prussia this past June.

The child's grandmother arrived from India in July to visit and was scheduled to stay in the country until January of 2013, according to investigators. A source said the family is currently making arrangements for her body to be sent back home for burial.

**Quoted**

**"If someone finds my baby, could you please, please bring my baby back. Don't let any harm come to the baby."**

VENKATA KONDA SIVA VENNA

**In the news**

## No school in Lansdale

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia announced Tuesday that it has canceled its plans to build a regional high school in Lansdale. The school was set to be constructed on 68 acres at the intersection of Limekiln Pike and Rickert Road. The Archdiocese said it put the land up for sale to help with its financial problems. METRO

**In the news**

## Bust in $$$ theft

The FBI yesterday arrested a US Airways baggage handler for allegedly stealing $20,000 in uncirculated $100 bills from the Philadelphia International Airport on Oct. 12. Alex Price, 25, is charged with theft from an interstate shipment after agents alleged he confessed to the crime while taking a polygraph test yesterday morning. METRO

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▶ Neighbors from across Clayton set up a memorial in a yard near where Pasquale was found.

# Teens suspected of killing NJ girl over bike

**Younger brother allegedly 'lured' 12-year-old girl for bike parts, law enforcement officials said Autumn Pasquale found near boys' home Three day search by hundreds of cops and community ends in tragedy**

Two brothers, 15 and 17 years old, have been arrested in connection with the death of 12-year-old Autumn Pascale, who was reported missing Saturday.

Pasquale's body was found Monday night, strangled and stuffed inside a recycling bin outside an abandoned house next door to the brothers' home.

A neighbor identified the brothers, but Metro is withholding their names until they are officially charged.

Gloucester County Prosecutor Sean Dalton said he is deciding whether to charge them as adults with first-degree murder, conspiracy, disposing of a body and theft. The younger brother also will be charged with luring.

The neighbor said that the younger brother fixes bikes as a hobby, but that she could not imagine an explanation for his alleged actions. Dalton said the mom, identified by neighbors as Anita Robinson, contacted police after finding an incriminating Facebook post on one of her son's pages.

Pasquale was last seen leaving her home Saturday afternoon on a white Odyssey BMX. Investigators recovered that bike inside the boys' home yesterday, according to Dalton, who said the brothers had attempted to obtain parts from Pasquale.

"I was crying in Target today just thinking about it — the way it happened, how they did it to her," said Clayton resident Pauline Laughlin, whose family is acquainted with the Pasquales. "The way they stuffed her in the recycling bin hurts me more than anything else."

A search party member found Pasquale's body around 10 p.m. last night about a half-mile from the girl's home. Laughlin, who is herself the mother of two young children, said that the neighborhood is shocked by both the grisly crime and by the arrests.

"The first thing I thought of was a sex offender," she said of Pasquale's alleged killer, "not two little kids. They're all just kids."

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## 'Angel on Earth' loved by many

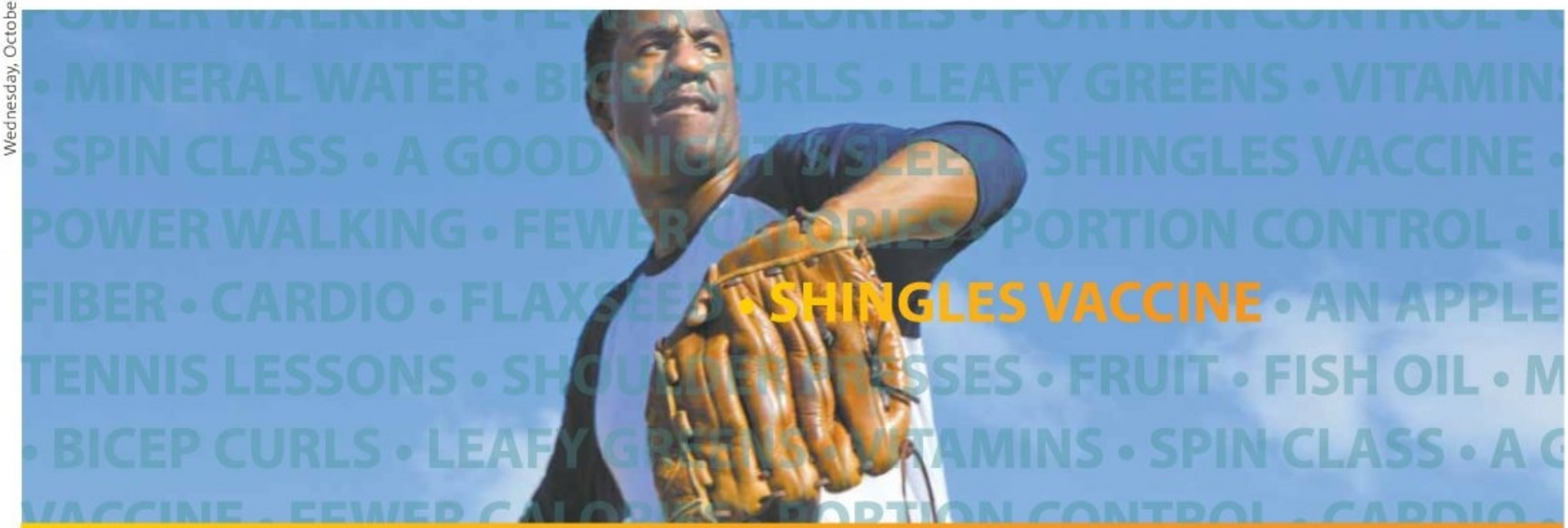
Family members yesterday afternoon confirmed the body found was that of Pasquale. "Our little angel Autumn has reached out to the world in her own special way," her great-uncle Paul Spadafora said. "She's an angel. She was an angel here on Earth and she's an angel up in heaven."

The discovery followed a massive search effort that consisted of an estimated 2,500 civilians and more than 200 local, county, state and federal law enforcement officials. "It doesn't seem real to us," Laughlin said. "This is the kind of thing you see in movies, not in your hometown – and it's a small little town."

About 75 friends and family members were interviewed in the two days Pasquale was missing. A reward for information leading to the missing child grew to $10,000 Monday.

**Quoted**

**"This is a very sad day for the Pasquale family. Our hearts go out to the family and to all the residents of Clayton who stood together in support of this young girl."**
DALTON IN A STATEMENT

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The sooner you get vaccinated with ZOSTAVAX, the better your chances of protecting yourself from Shingles. In fact, the ACIP* of the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) recommends that appropriate adults 60 years of age and older get vaccinated to help prevent Shingles.

## Talk to your health care professional to see if ZOSTAVAX is right for you.

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## ABOUT ZOSTAVAX

ZOSTAVAX is a vaccine that is used for adults 50 years of age or older to prevent Shingles (also known as zoster).

## Important Safety Information

- ZOSTAVAX does not protect everyone, so some people who get the vaccine may still get Shingles.
- You should not get ZOSTAVAX if you are allergic to any of its ingredients, including gelatin or neomycin, have a weakened immune system, take high doses of steroids, or are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. You should not get ZOSTAVAX to prevent chickenpox.
- Talk to your health care professional if you plan to get ZOSTAVAX at the same time as PNEUMOVAX®23 (Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent) because it may be better to get these vaccines at least 4 weeks apart.
- Possible side effects include redness, pain, itching, swelling, hard lump, warmth, or bruising at the injection site, as well as headache.
- ZOSTAVAX contains a weakened chickenpox virus. Tell your health care professional if you will be in close contact with newborn infants, someone who may be pregnant and has not had chickenpox or been vaccinated against chickenpox, or someone who has problems with their immune system. Your health care professional can tell you what situations you may need to avoid.

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**What is ZOSTAVAX and how does it work?**
ZOSTAVAX is a vaccine that is used for adults 50 years of age or older to prevent shingles (also known as zoster).

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ZOSTAVAX works by helping your immune system protect you from getting shingles.

If you do get shingles even though you have been vaccinated, ZOSTAVAX may help prevent the nerve pain that can follow shingles in some people. ZOSTAVAX does not protect everyone, so some people who get the vaccine may still get shingles.

ZOSTAVAX cannot be used to treat shingles, or the nerve pain that may follow shingles, once you have it.

**What do I need to know about shingles and the virus that causes it?**
Shingles is caused by the same virus that causes chickenpox. Once you have had chickenpox, the virus can stay in your nervous system for many years. For reasons that are not fully understood, the virus may become active again and give you shingles. Age and problems with the immune system may increase your chances of getting shingles.

Shingles is a rash that is usually on one side of the body. The rash begins as a cluster of small red spots that often blister. The rash can be painful. Shingles rashes usually last up to 30 days and, for most people, the pain associated with the rash lessens as it heals.

**Who should not get ZOSTAVAX?**
You should not get ZOSTAVAX if you:
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- are allergic to gelatin or neomycin.
- have a weakened immune system (for example, an immune deficiency, leukemia, lymphoma, or HIV/AIDS).
- take high doses of steroids by injection or by mouth.
- are pregnant or plan to get pregnant.

You should not get ZOSTAVAX to prevent chickenpox.

Children should not get ZOSTAVAX.

**How is ZOSTAVAX given?**
ZOSTAVAX is given as a single dose by injection under the skin.

**What should I tell my health care provider before I get ZOSTAVAX?**
You should tell your health care provider if you:
- have or have had any medical problems.
- take any medicines, including non-prescription medicines, and dietary supplements.
- have any allergies, including allergies to neomycin or gelatin.
- had an allergic reaction to another vaccine.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.
- are breast-feeding.

Tell your health care provider if you expect to be in close contact (including household contact) with newborn infants, someone who may be pregnant and has not had chickenpox or been vaccinated against chickenpox, or someone who has problems with their immune system. Your health care provider can tell you what situations you may need to avoid.

**Can I get ZOSTAVAX with other vaccines?**
Talk to your health care provider if you plan to get ZOSTAVAX at the same time as the flu vaccine.

Talk to your health care provider if you plan to get ZOSTAVAX at the same time as PNEUMOVAX®23 (Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent) because it may be better to get these vaccines at least 4 weeks apart.

**What are the possible side effects of ZOSTAVAX?**
The most common side effects that people in the clinical studies reported after receiving the vaccine include:
- redness, pain, itching, swelling, hard lump, warmth, or bruising where the shot was given.
- headache

The following additional side effects have been reported with ZOSTAVAX:
- allergic reactions, which may be serious and may include difficulty in breathing or swallowing. If you have an allergic reaction, call your doctor right away.
- chickenpox
- fever
- hives at the injection site
- joint pain
- muscle pain
- nausea
- rash
- rash at the injection site
- swollen glands near the injection site (that may last a few days to a few weeks)

Tell your health care provider if you have any new or unusual symptoms after you receive ZOSTAVAX. For a complete list of side effects, ask your health care provider.

Call 1-800-986-8999 to report any exposure to ZOSTAVAX during pregnancy.

**What are the ingredients of ZOSTAVAX?**
Active Ingredient: a weakened form of the varicella-zoster virus.

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This page summarizes important information about ZOSTAVAX. If you would like more information, talk to your health care provider or visit the website at www.ZOSTAVAX.com or call 1-800-622-4477.

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# 'Crappy' credit not stopping investors of Philly's schools

Philadelphia's school district, the nation's eighth largest, is in such desperate shape that it plans to sell $300 million of bonds this week to plug its deficit. Yet investors hungry for yield have fueled a rally in its debt.

The district faces a $1.35 billion shortfall over the next five years and may close a quarter of its schools. It is resorting to deficit financing for the first time since 2002. And as in most of the U.S., public schools in the nation's fifth-largest city are receiving less state funding per student than in 2008, according to the Center on Budget & Policy Priorities.

Even with the fiscal stress, Philadelphia school debt is drawing investors facing interest rates near 45-year lows. The extra yield buyers demand to own district securities has dropped by about a quarter since January, data compiled by Bloomberg show. One lure is that state aid pays the bonds directly through a so-called intercept program.

"The intercept is powerful and it offsets the crappy credit quality of the Philly school district," said Alan Schankel, director of fixed-income research at Janney Montgomery Scott.

By diverting state aid to school debt, the intercept program bypasses the district and boosts protection for investors. The school debt will be issued through the Pennsylvania State Public School Building Authority. **BLOOMBERG**

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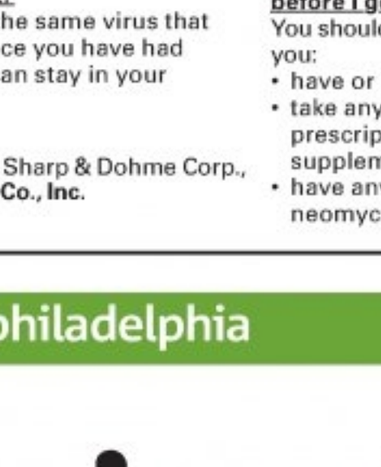


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**29%** The district's students expected to attend charter schools in fiscal 2013, compared with less than 10 percent in 2003.

**Crash.** City officer hurt

▶ Nutter, pictured at Arlen Specter's funeral last week, is driven by police officers in his large SUV to all official events.

RIKARD LARMA/METRO

## Nutter vehicle involved in crash

**A member of Mayor Michael Nutter's security detail suffered minor injuries yesterday in a car crash on Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. The officer was driving in a city vehicle on his way to pick up the mayor when it was struck by a vehicle traveling southbound. The officer and the driver of the other vehicle were both treated for minor injuries.** METRO

**News in brief**

## Sandusky sent to state prison to serve time

**PENNSYLVANIA.** Disgraced former Penn State assistant coach Jerry Sandusky arrived at state prison yesterday morning, transferred from a Centre County jail to his home for likely the rest of his life, according to reports.

Sandusky, 68, was sentenced to 30 to 60 years earlier this month for sexually abusing 10 young boys over the course of several years during his time at his foundation, The Second Mile. Sandusky played and coached under Joe Paterno for more than 30 years before retiring in 1999.

He has continued to plead his innocence and his attorney has filed motions for a new trial. He is serving his sentence now in State Correctional Institute at Camp Hill, just outside Harrisburg, a report said. METRO

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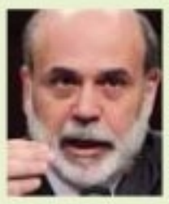
In the news

## Bernanke set to step down from the Fed

**NEW YORK.** Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke has told close friends he probably will not stand for a third term at the central bank even if President Barack Obama wins the Nov. 6 election, the New York Times reported.

Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney has already said he would not renominate Bernanke if he wins the presidency. Bernanke's term as chairman ends in January 2014.

Bernanke, who was first appointed to run the U.S. central bank by former president George W. Bush and was given a second term by Obama, has declined to comment publicly on whether he would accept another four-year term.



The Fed and the White House declined to comment. **REUTERS**

# Apple unveils mini to boost the tablet rivalry

Apple introduced a smaller, cheaper version of the iPad yesterdat, designed to keep customers from buying low-cost tablets from competitors Microsoft Corp., Amazon.com Inc. and Google Inc.

The iPad mini boasts a 7.9-inch screen diagonally, compared with the 9.7-inch screen of the current iPad. It's also thinner and lighter, and costs $329 to $659. Shares in Apple, the most valuable company, fell on concern that the lowest price won't be enough to draw users away from the cheapest competitors, including Amazon's Kindle and Barnes & Noble Inc.'s Nook.

Apple CEO Tim Cook is seeking to widen Apple's lead in the tablet market, which NPD DisplaySearch predicts will more than double to $162 billion in the next five years. By broadening the iPad lineup, Cupertino, Calif.-based Apple aims to add to its 70-percent market share just as Microsoft introduces its own device and Google and Amazon upgrade their own handheld lines.

"At $329, it won't draw people from Kindles and Nooks," said Erik Gordon, a professor at the University of Michigan.

Apple shares fell 1.6 percent to $624.14 as of 2:33 p.m. in New York. The iPad mini comes at a critical time for Apple. Before today, its shares had dropped 9.7 percent since reaching a record on Sept. 19, two days before the company released the iPhone 5.

Apple has sold more than 100 million iPads since introduced in January 2010. **BLOOMBERG**

▶ The iPad mini

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## In the news

### CIA agent faces jail for leaking name

A former Central Intelligence Agency officer is expected to spend 2 1/2 years in prison for telling a journalist the name of a covert agent, marking the first time in 27 years that someone will go to prison for blowing the cover of a CIA agent.
John Kiriakou, 48, pleaded guilty yesterday to one count of disclosing the identity of a covert agent.

Kiriakou revealed the agent's name in a 2008 e-mail, one of many instances in which he helped journalists with information on activities such as waterboarding and the CIA's interrogation of al Qaeda operative Abu Zubaydah.

The guilty plea closes one of six prosecutions the Obama administration has pursued in an aggressive campaign against alleged leakers of classified information.
His Justice Department has prosecuted more leak cases than all previous administrations combined, according to tallies by multiple news organizations. **REUTERS**

### Gitmo detainees tune in for debate

A few dozen Guantanamo prisoners were among the millions who tuned in for the U.S. presidential debate on Monday night.

Two cell blocks watched on television as Democratic President Barack Obama and his Republican challenger Mitt Romney squared off in Boca Raton, Fla. Another cell block followed a radio broadcast, a military spokeswoman said.

Detainees who follow camp rules are allowed to live in communal cell blocks and have access to satellite television.

They would have been disappointed if they were hoping to hear about their own situation.

Although the debate's focus was foreign policy, there was no mention of Obama's failed promise to shut down the detention camp at the base in eastern Cuba, which still holds 166 captives and is seen as fueling anti-U.S. sentiment around the world. **REUTERS**

# Poll: Obama has narrow edge ahead of election

President Barack Obama pulled slightly ahead of Republican Mitt Romney in a Reuters/Ipsos daily tracking poll yesterday, but the race remained essentially tied with two weeks to go until the Nov. 6 election.

Obama led Romney among likely voters 47 percent to 46 percent. The four-day online tracking poll includes some responses taken after the two candidates' final televised debate, but the full impact will not register for several days.

Obama maintains a larger advantage in the state-by-state battle that will determine the outcome of the election.

The poll has reflected a tight race since shortly after the two candidates met for their first debate on October 3. But a substantial portion of voters remain up for grabs. Roughly 20 percent of those surveyed say they could switch their votes or have not yet made up their minds.

Among the larger pool of registered voters, Obama leads Romney 46 percent to 42 percent. **REUTERS**

LARRY MARANO/WIREIMAGE

▶ Obama reaches out to voters in Florida.

### Obama: Election hinges on trust

Obama warned voters yesterday that Romney cannot be trusted to deal honestly with the public as the presidential campaign shifted from televised confrontation to a frantic dash for votes. **REUTERS**

**"There is no more serious issue in a presidential campaign than trust. [Romney] is trying to hide his position."** OBAMA

**1** Obama led Romney among likely voters by a statistically insignificant margin of 1 percentage point.

**332** Ipsos poll predicts Obama will win 332 electoral votes to Romney's 206, based on current swing-state tendencies.

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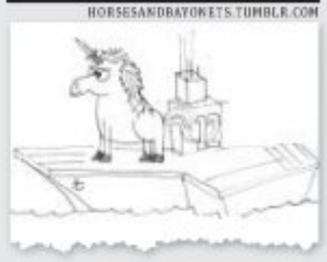

**"Horses and bayonets"** became the most memorable catch phrase of the debate Monday night, as Obama painted the Republican's foreign policy ideas as outdated.

"You mentioned the Navy, for example, and that we have fewer ships than we did in 1916," Obama said. "Well, Governor, we also have fewer horses and bayonets."

The comments provided the latest phrase to become popular on social media sites such as Twitter and Tumblr. **REUTERS**

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**SUSAN FERRECHIO**

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# NO WINNER IN SUBDUED FINAL DEBATE

**It started off as a foreign policy debate, but domestic issues soon took center stage at the third and final presidential debate Monday — an event that showcased fewer fireworks and much tamer exchanges between President Obama and Republican Mitt Romney, who are running virtually neck-and-neck in the campaign's final two weeks.**

Romney and Obama, who went after each other aggressively in their showdown last week, took very different approaches Monday — and it said much about how each views the race. Romney resisted going on the offensive, passing on an opening question about the 9/11 terrorist attack in Libya that his fellow Republicans have been using to question the administration's veracity. Romney himself had gone after Obama on the issue in last week's debate, but on Monday Romney remained measured in his responses, even congratulating Obama on his biggest foreign policy success — killing Osama bin Laden — before Obama could raise the issue.

It was Obama who initiated the attacks and he remained on the offensive throughout much of the 90-minute session at Lynn University. The president's laconic performance in his first debate had changed the dynamics of the race, virtually erasing his advantage in the polls and he clearly wasn't going to risk losing further ground.

Unlike the earlier debates, Monday's produced no clear winner, allowing both sides to claim victory.

"Romney's primary job was to make Americans comfortable with the idea of Romney as commander-in-chief," Republican strategist Ford O'Connell told The Washington Examiner. "On that front, mission accomplished. Romney looked and sounded presidential. Obama came out swinging and Romney deflected well."

Cal Jillson, a political science professor at Southern Methodist University, noted the sitting president's natural advantage in international affairs.

"His greater depth of knowledge showed on military spending, Afghanistan, Libya, and Iran," Jillson said. "Still, this is a tight race and will be decided on the economy."

**Quoted**

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In a year when the debate moderators became as much of an issue as the presidential candidates' own performances, CBS News' Bob Schieffer gave Romney and Obama ample time to address the questions and each other, but at one point had to pointedly push them back onto the evening's main topic, foreign policy.

Throughout the often detailed exchanges, Obama accused Romney of being "all over the map" on foreign policy, at one point suggesting that Romney lacked an understanding of what a modern military required. A commander-in-chief, Obama said, must speak clearly to the world and act decisively.

"I looked at what we need to get done to keep the American people safe," the president said, "and I made those decisions." Romney appeared less sure-footed at the outset, but gained momentum as the debate veered to the U.S. economy. America's ability to maintain world peace depends on its ability to stabilize its own economy, Romney said, and Obama had failed to achieve that in his first term.

"It begins with a strong economy here at home and unfortunately the economy is not stronger," Romney said.

The debate was far more subdued than the first two encounters between the candidates and it may have generated less interest, not only because it was about foreign affairs instead of pocketbook issues, but because it was being televised at the same time as a baseball playoff game and Monday Night Football.

"The biggest problem," American Enterprise Institute foreign policy scholar Danielle Pletka told The Examiner, "is it's boring."

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**The feed ...**

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Alec Baldwin is worried his daughter will have too much fun on vacation, Ellen DeGeneres is sending warm wishes to Adele, and Steve Martin is considering a career change.

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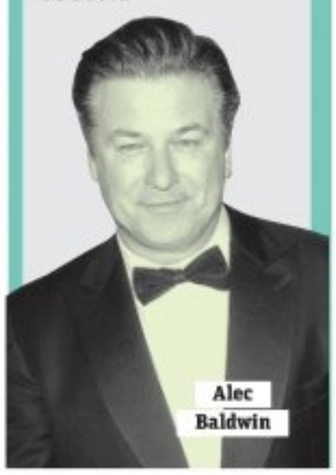
I'm so happy for Adele and her new baby boy, who just heard the best version of "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star" ever.

**@SteveMartinToGo**
I'm thinking of becoming a motivational speaker. But I'm not sure. Should I? Maybe yes, maybe no. Undecided. Kinda thinking about it.


Alec Baldwin

# THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

# The many faces of wax Robert Pattinson

**The 'Twilight' star is so famous that he has several Madame Tussauds wax figures created in his hunky likeness We break them all down here:**

## Berlin

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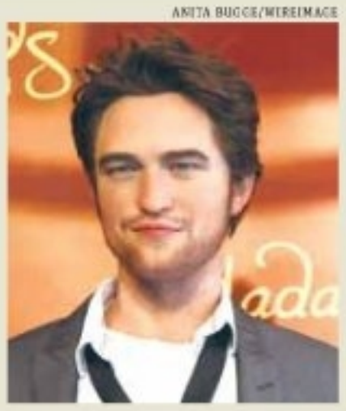

Is it just me or do I detect some duck face? That being said, the German wax Robert Pattinson is a great representation of the disheveled actor. But you know the Germans and their precision — that poor wax sculptor probably had to go to therapy for years after he had to leave that tie untied.

## London

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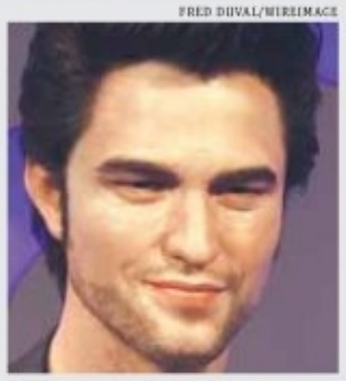

Why so squinty, London wax Robert Pattinson? This Robert is dark, thin and giving **Paul Ryan** a run for his money with that widow's peak. This mannequin speaks to your inner hipster and Republican, a hard combo indeed.

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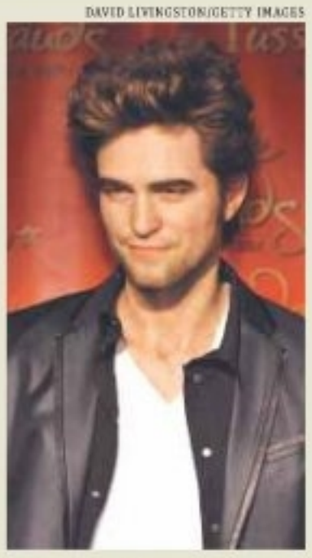

## New York

The New York City wax Robert Pattinson is pretty spot on, right? That hair, that smirk, that oddly placed chest hair. Even the fact he's wearing two jackets at once is pretty perfect.

PAUL MORIGI/WIREIMAGE

## Washington, D.C.

Is it just me or is the Washington, D.C., wax Robert Pattinson extremely sweaty? I just want to reach over and dab his forehead with my "Twilight"-themed handkerchief.

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## Hollywood

Whoa. Hello, cut-rate Hollywood wax Robert Pattinson! It looks like they fashioned him out of the nose from the **Lea Michele** statue and a wig from a **K.D. Lang** mannequin. (But that's cool. You know wax K.D. Lang has just been hanging out in storage since 2003.)

## Talking points

### Timberlake sang at wedding (for free!)

A benefit of marrying someone like **Justin Timberlake**? Some high-quality serenading at the reception. That's exactly what new bride **Jessica Biel** got during the couple's wedding celebration in Italy last week, when Timberlake reportedly grabbed the microphone to unveil some new material, according to Us Weekly. "Justin performed one song at the wedding," a source says. "It's a new one that he hasn't released yet. He dedicated it to Jessica." Guests were also treated to some other Timberlake hits from the DJ, Roots drummer **?uestlove**.

Klum: Single and ready to Kris Kringle

### Klum is planning her Seal-free Christmas

**Heidi Klum** is planning to stick around Los Angeles and treat her kids to a lavish Christmas celebration for their first holiday season since Klum split with husband **Seal**, according to People magazine. "We're going to stay here possibly," Klum says. "We're going to get a big Christmas tree, and we might go to Disneyland. We go all over the place." Whether Seal will be a part of those celebrations is yet to be seen.

### Jenkins: Pay attention to me for something I didn't do!

Love this: Welsh singer **Katherine Jenkins** went on Twitter to say she WASN'T sleeping around with **David Beckham**.

Jenkins swears she had to take to the social networking site because the rumors that she slept with the soccer star were so rampant. Her tweets read in part: "Dear Twitter friends, I've read some horrible rumours on here & want u 2 know I absolutely deny I've had an affair with David Beckham. I've only met David twice.... we were out in a group of friends & it was just a normal fun evening out."

Then Twitter attacked her for drumming up publicity for herself. Which, since you're reading this, totally, totally worked.

Katherine Jenkins

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# Red-hot carpets

1 Looking sleek and single, **Katie Holmes** attended Narciso Rodriguez's Kohl's Collection Launch Party on Monday in New York City.

2 **Taylor Swift** performed on "Good Morning America" yesterday.

3 On Monday, **Gabrielle Union** celebrated her 40th birthday with a party in New York City.

4 **Princess Charlene** and **Prince Albert II** of Monaco attended the Princess Grace awards gala on Monday in New York City.

5 **Helena Bonham Carter** popped up at the European premiere of "Great Expectations" on Sunday in London.

6 Also in London earlier this week: **Kylie Minogue** attended the Q Awards 2012.

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# A scholarly take on our horde mentality

**Temple prof Murali Balaji explains our fascination with zombies these days Why we tend to gravitate toward the undead when the headlines are scary**

"The Walking Dead" is one of the most popular shows on TV. Its season premiere last week saw 10.1 million viewers — 15.2 million if you include the two encores that ran the same evening. What makes this show about zombies so popular?

"It really puts viewers into a moral dilemma," says Murali Balaji, assistant professor of media studies and production at Temple University. "People wonder what would they do if they were in such an extreme situation."

Balaji, who teaches courses in both media theory and popular culture, points out that it's not actually the zombies who are the most dangerous enemies. "What's interesting is that the survivors view fellow survivors as suspiciously, or even more suspiciously, as the zombies themselves," he says. "There's a line from the graphic novel that the show is based on: 'It's not the dead I fear, it's the living.' That resonates with us — we all struggle with dilemmas of trust."

Zombie stories have been increasingly popular during the past 10 years, which may reflect our end-of-the-world fears. "Whether it's bioterrorism, a disease outbreak or a nuclear accident, this is something that people could see happening," Balaji says.

**Quoted**

**"Some viewers see themselves as the survivors dealing with people who act like the mindless. Others are aware of themselves slipping into a kind of zombie-like state themselves, with their routines and lack of spontaneity."** BALAJI

Zombies marched in Washington, D.C., earlier this month to protest DISH Network dropping AMC, which airs "The Walking Dead."

**If you go**

Balaji will moderate a panel of experts at **"Thinking Dead: What the Zombie Apocalypse Means"** on Halloween night, Oct. 31 at 6:30. The event is on Temple University's Main Campus (Gladfelter Hall, Room L24, 1115 Polett Walk).

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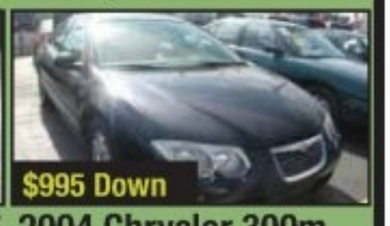
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## News in brief

### DeGeneres honored with Mark Twain Prize for comedy

Ellen DeGeneres received the highest U.S. award for achievement in comedy on Monday.

Earning the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor at the Kennedy Center, the national show-case for arts, DeGeneres was praised as a pioneering female comic whose edgy variety show, "The Ellen DeGeneres Show," has helped define the format for daytime television in recent years.

But several guests also highlighted the comedian's groundbreaking decision 15 years ago to go public with her sexual identity in a career-rattling move the comedian said was a necessary step for personal dignity.

"I did it for me and it happened to help a lot of other people and cause a big ruckus,"

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▶ Ellen DeGeneres

DeGeneres, 54, told reporters before the tribute, summarizing her decision in 1997 to come out publicly as gay in tandem with her on-screen character in a move that sparked controversy and prompted some "Ellen" advertisers to flee.

The Twain prize is named after the 19th-century satirist. Monday night's ceremony will be broadcast on PBS on Oct. 30.

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## TV watch list

### 'The Houstons: On Our Own'

**REALITY.** Did "get your own reality TV show" become a step in the grieving process? Not long after the untimely death of pop superstar Whitney Houston, cameras started rolling to chronicle the life of the singer's 19-year-old daughter Bobbi Kristina and those closest to her and her newfound inheritance. **Series premiere, 9 p.m., Lifetime**

### 'My Grandmother's Ravioli'

**REALITY.** The affable Mo Rocca travels the country looking for the nation's best recipes — which, of course, are those passed down from your grandparents. **Series premiere, 8:30 p.m., Cooking Channel**

### 'The Middle'

**COMEDY.** It's Halloween, and the only thing scarier than Brick's strange reaction to eating too much candy is Sue receiving her learner's permit. **8 p.m., ABC**

### 'Law & Order: SVU'

**DRAMA.** Tom Sizemore and Hamish Linklater guest star on the drama's 300th episode, which finds the kidnapping of a young boy eerily similar to a crime that happened 13 years ago. **300th episode, 9 p.m., NBC** ● **AMBER RAY**

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▶ Whitney Houston's mom, Cissy (left), and daughter, Bobbi Kristina, star in the new series "The Houstons: On Our Own."

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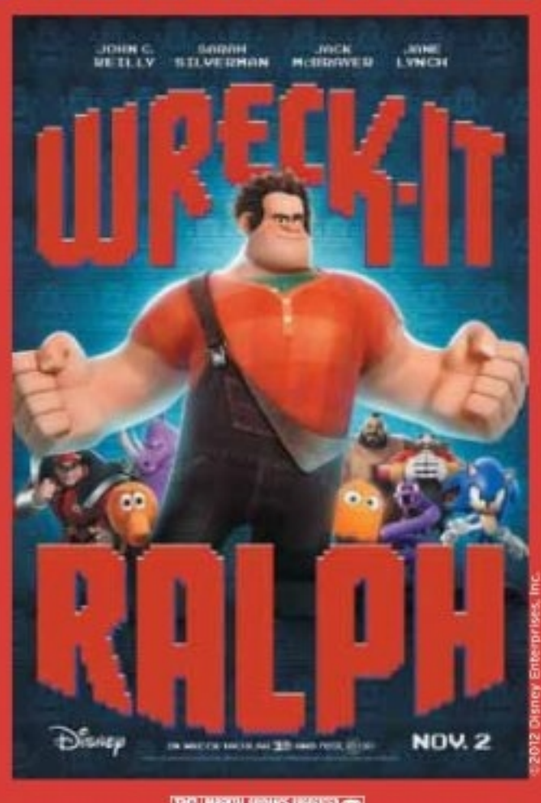


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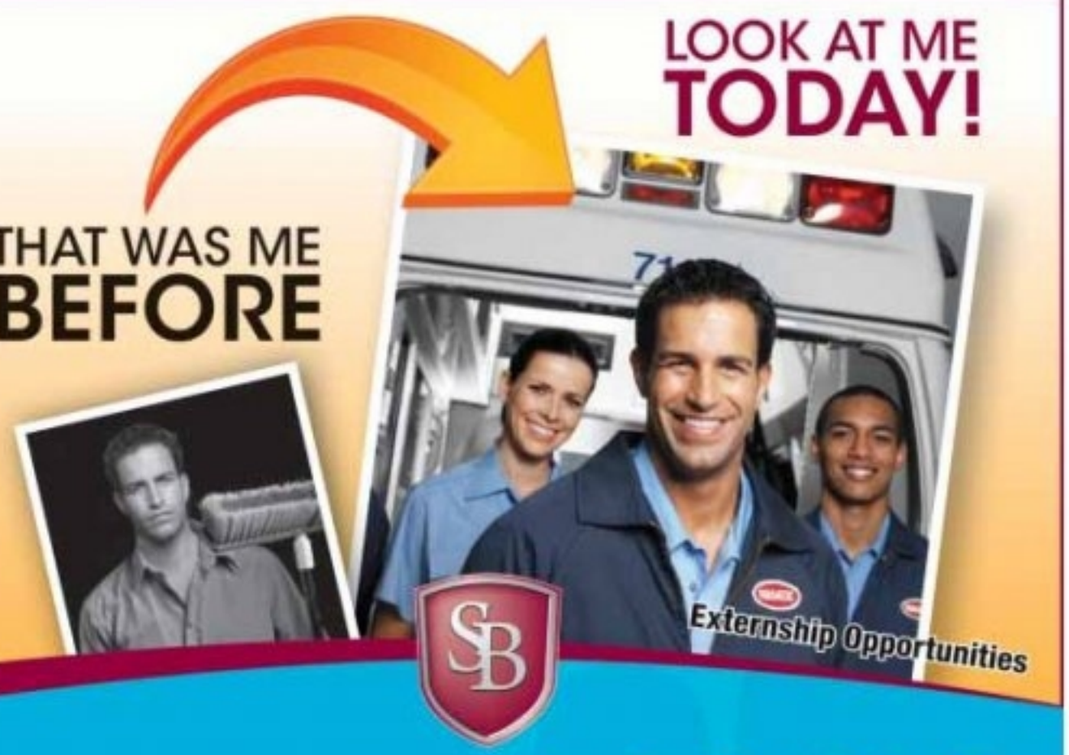


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# Barenaked lady

**Actress Helen Hunt appears in 'The Sessions' as you've never seen her before Why nude, why now?**

There's not much that Helen Hunt hasn't done in Hollywood. An actress since age 9, she has appeared in dozens of movies and TV shows, had a hit sitcom and has written, directed and produced plenty more. But Hunt heads into the great unknown with "The Sessions." She portrays real-life sexual surrogate Cheryl Cohen Greene, who works with Mark O'Brien, a man whose childhood struggle with polio left him paralyzed from the neck down. While the full-frontal nudity required of the role left Hunt craving "sweatpants and a hamburger" at the end of the day, the beautiful story was well worth the sacrifice, she tells us.

**One of the most fascinating things about this movie is your character's job as a sexual surrogate for those who have physical handicaps. What was the most interesting aspect of what she does?**

To me the most interesting part was just her spirit, her vibe, her unabashed, slightly loud, no-bulls—t Boston accent, her excited way of talking about sex. That was a cocktail I had never seen before.

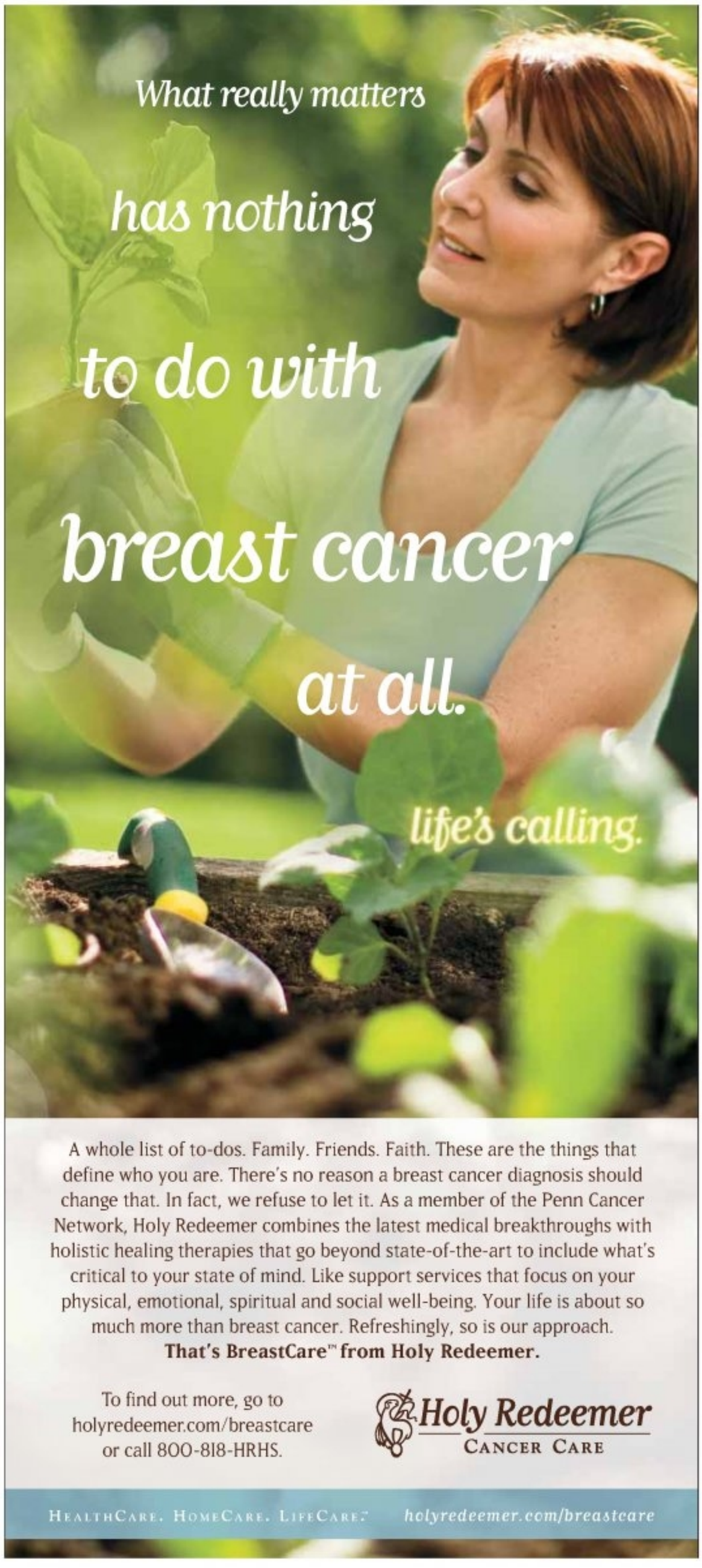
**Did you come to understand why she went into that profession?**

Basically she was born a very sexual person, which I hadn't heard anybody say in a movie. … She found out that there was such a thing as surrogacy and there was an entire association devoted to training people and making sure they watch out for their own weirdness affecting the other people, which is like any therapist. … I think it seemed to be that over time it grew into a real vocation.

## Thrill of the Hunt

**It's not easy for any actress to do full-frontal nudity, but when people interview them about it, the first thing they often say is that wasn't even the hardest part of the job. Would you agree with that?**

This was different, but I would say the vulnerability, mine as an actress but also his as a character, the combination of the real vulnerability in the room and the vulnerability you're trying to bring to life meant for a very vulnerable work day. By the end of the day, I wanted my sweatpants on and a hamburger and to be in bed. It was a lot of naked all day.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▶ Helen Hunt's character shares a moment with her patient Mark O'Brien (John Hawkes) in "The Sessions," which is in theaters now.

**At different points in a person's career, there are things you're willing to do and there are things you're not willing to do. What made you feel ready to do the nudity now?**

The first thing is reading a good story. It's so rare that you read a story you haven't heard a hundred times and a character that I [haven't] seen in life or in a movie — just an utterly new person to create. And then [it's] a feeling of like, it's getting late, what am I gonna wait for or worry about? Just jump in.

**It's been said that you and John Hawkes not knowing each other before filming enhanced this awkward encounter that you were performing. Could you talk about what that was like?**

We weren't playing people who'd been married for 20 years — that would have been harder. It wasn't until we started doing press for the movie that I was like, I don't know this person at all really and we went through this incredible experience at the end of it. We saw each other and went, "What did we just do? What happened in there? Holy s—t." I saw him at the wrap party looking all handsome with that product in his hair and his boots and I went, "Woah, woah, woah, this is not what I was playing at all!" But at the time, we were blessed with the coincidence of talking about it two or three times and jumping in, which was kind of one less thing you had to invent.

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# MAGIC EYE

## Gas & Electric Arts' latest production provides snapshots from photographer Lee Miller's life and career

Lee Miller was responsible for some of the 20th century's most striking images, both in front of and behind the camera. She began her remarkable career as a New York fashion model, apprenticed under (and modeled for) surrealist master Man Ray and shot stirring images of the London blitz and the liberation of Dachau as a war correspondent for Vogue magazine.

Gas & Electric Arts will bring Miller's amazing but tragically little-known story to the stage in "Behind the Eye," a Philadelphia premiere by playwright Carson Kreitzer. Director Lisa Jo Epstein describes the play as "beautiful and elegant and surprising and surreal" — appropriate for a life as unique as Miller's.

**Quoted**

**"The play gives the character Lee the opportunity to resee and reframe the picture of who she is."**
DIRECTOR LISA JO EPSTEIN

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The set design draws influence from Miller's work and life. "We're hoping to conjure the feel of her photographs without ever directly depicting them," Epstein says. And Miller's surrealist ties are referenced by set pieces that "constantly transform from the mundane to the extraordinary and back again."

For a character this complex, Kreitzer took a less linear approach to depicting Miller. "It's not a straightforward biopic," Epstein says. "It's a really fascinating mosaic of snapshots from her life. The play gives the character Lee the opportunity to resee and reframe the picture of who she is."

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## What we're into

### Now: Ted Allen

Until very recently, the only thing edgy about Ted Allen was his radical neatness. Amicable enough and harmlessly witty, the "Chopped" host and Food Network talking head usually

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▶ Ted Allen has a very dark, very funny side.

stands back and lets the manic chefs and grumpy judges create the drama. But then he took the stage at the recent Anthony Bourdain roast — and it was brutal. After poking gentle fun at fellow guest Rachael Ray, Allen went after Bourdain like only a wickedly funny guy who's spent the past 10 years pretending burnt bruschetta is a plot device could. Someone, anyone: Rescue him from Kitchen Stadium stat.

### Next week: Henri David's Ball

Every year, the press release for Henri David's Halloween Ball arrives in a handwritten envelope adorned with bat stamps. There's no Twitter campaign, no Facebook hype — just an elegant flyer announcing that the Ball is, of course, happening again on Oct. 31. It's too modest to

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▶ Henri David takes his costumes seriously.

mention that everyone you want to play dress-up with will be there, but David does include this advice: "Don't come as you are, but as you want to be." That said, he really prefers that you want to be in costume: The $25 ticket is bumped up to $60 if you don't play along.

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# We are never ever getting tired of Swift

**Singer goes into the 'Red' for new album The songstress on expanding her sound beyond country and welcoming new songwriters into her circle**

Taylor Swift

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No matter how many pop hits she scores, Taylor Swift will always be a little bit country.

"In my mind I'm always going to be a country artist because that's home to me," says the 22-year-old Nashville-based singer. "The innate writing style of county music is what formed me as a songwriter."

Yet after penning all the tracks on her last record on her own, Swift decided to team up with a who's-who of pop songwriters for her fourth album, "Red," which hit stores Monday.

"I wanted to figure out a way to push myself into a different comfort zone," she says.

Along with writers like Dan Wilson, who co-wrote Adele's megahit "Someone Like You," Swift enlisted the help of Max Martin, the man behind Kelly Clarkson's "Since U Been Gone," and Britney Spears' "... Baby One More Time." Together with Martin protege Shellback, the trio co-wrote her own current smash, the infectious and decidedly un-country "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together," and as she says, it all happened "really spontaneously."

"It's really brought something different out of this album," she says. "I think that there are definitely influences from every genre that I'm a fan of on this record."

Both U.K. singer/songwriter Ed Sheeran and Snow Patrol's Gary Lightbody make appearances, too, the latter of which Swift points to as a source of inspiration for her lyrics.

"The more you let people into the details," she says, "the more people feel welcomed into those experiences."

**Quoted**

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**Swift gets 'loopy' with the band**

**Watching the music video for "We are Never Ever Getting Back Together," it's hard not to notice the group of musicians dressed up as woodland creatures.** Those oversized animals are actually Swift's backing band. She says the costumes were director Declan Whitebloom's idea and when she told the musicians, "they looked at me deadpan like, 'This is not happening.'"

**Yet while filming the single-shot clip, the band "got loopy," the results of which are on the screen.** "It's the most random thing I've ever done in a video," says Swift. "It makes me laugh to this day."

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## How Pinterest is getting more people into crafting

Get ready for some homemade gifts this holiday season. Pinterest, and copycat sites, are bringing out the crafter and DIYer in users. Pinterest tells Mashable it's been popular among crafters and "do-it-yourselfers" since its launch.

"They love using Pinterest as a resource to discover ideas or get inspiration for projects from people around the world who share similar passions," a Pinterest spokesperson said of the site's users. "The 'DIY & Craft' category on Pinterest is one of our most popular and an endless feed of things people are making, or are inspired by, around the globe."

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They don't have exact figures about how many people are pinning and re-pinning crafts, but they told us, "we have noticed that holiday-related or seasonal crafts are very popular."

Tracy Mooney is the associate editor of Generation Q magazine and a freelance writer and social media coordinator who specializes in creating Pinterest accounts for companies.

"Pinterest makes you feel creative even when you are just sitting there re-pinning," she said. "So I am happy that it has inspired so many to give sewing, crafting and DIYing a try."

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# Today in Medicine

*This month's Society for Neuroscience Conference in New Orleans unveiled the latest research into some of what goes on in our brains.*

## New tools to fight Alzheimer's

New developments presented include PET scanning to monitor changes in brain function before Alzheimer's symptoms occur and a new drug tested on mice that targeted the biochemical changes in proteins thought to occur in dementia patients. Also, a probe that uses nanotechnology and MRIs is thought to be able to distinguish between diseased and non-diseased brain tissue, thus aiding early diagnosis.

With the elderly population growing, Alzheimer's disease is a new epidemic currently affecting 5 million people in the U.S. alone. The number is predicted to increase to 13 million people by 2015.

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▶ New test and treatment options for Alzheimer's were presented at the Society for Neuroscience Conference.

**13M** Predicted number of people afflicted with Alzheimer's disease by 2015

## The science behind our smiles

Researchers announced the results of studies determining how the brain processes facial expressions and emotions. In monkeys, it was discovered that special neurons in the brain's amygdala — the part of our brain that deals with emotion — respond differently when monkeys look at a smiling primate versus a neutral-faced primate. Principal investigator Katalin Gothard, M.D., Ph.D., from the University of Arizona, said that because "normal social behavior depends on the activity of these [neurons] ... It is not surprising that in many brain disorders associated with abnormal amygdala function, such as schizophrenia or social anxiety, eye contact and social interaction is impaired."

In humans, researchers found that smile mimicry might depend on social status. People deemed powerful often suppressed a smile toward peers, while powerless people returned everyone's smile regardless. Researchers also found that crow's feet around the eyes aren't enough to deem a smile authentic. You may be able to tell who's bluffing by mimicking that person's smile and seeing what feelings come up for you.

## How we make social decisions

Researchers looking at the "social brain" in humans and primates — the structure of our minds that helps us understand people's intentions, beliefs, desires and how to behave appropriately — studied human sharing and altruistic behavior. They found that we have different areas of our brain that deal with altruism when it's rooted in general concern and when it's rooted in preserving our reputation.

## Rewiring the brain after trauma

Scientists studying mice think they have discovered how the brain disposes of the kinds of bad memories associated with post-traumatic stress disorder and other similar cognitive disorders. They noted that the antidepressant ketamine, as well as the turning on and off of dopamine neurons in the brain's reward center, can cue symptoms to leave. Other research looked at the brains of teenagers before and after the 2011 Japanese earthquake and found that brains with weak connections in certain areas could be at a high risk for PTSD and anxiety after a traumatic experience. And studies in mice revealed that repetitive violent and competitive engagements change the brain's chemistry. METRO/LC

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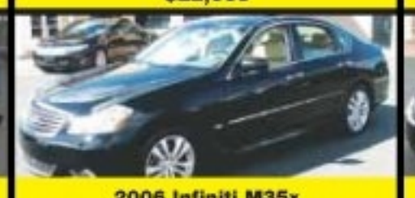
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Donna Cryer, J.D., understands the importance of Liver Awareness Month (October). After a decade of ulcerative colitis ravaging her liver, Cryer underwent a liver transplant when she was just 23. Now in her 19th year post-liver transplant, she is the American Liver Foundation's president and CEO. We asked her to dispel some myths about this vital organ.

**▶ The liver just deals with waste production:** "It screens out toxins, yes, but from enzyme reactions for digestion to cholesterol synthesis, it's a way station for so many important functions."

**▶ Liver disease only affects alcoholics and the elderly:** "There are more than 100 different types of liver disease. It affects everyone from newborns to people with autoimmune disease, like me."

**▶ Liver damage happens over time and can't be avoided:** "There's a lot of things you can do to lessen liver damage. Restrict your use of medications; even common drugs like Tylenol can damage the liver. The things that keep you free from diabetes, cancer and heart disease are the things that keep your liver healthy."

**▶ The first sign of liver disease is a sharp pain:** "Symptoms include fatigue, joint pain, muscle aches and pains. But those early symptoms are so vague. When you start to get itchy skin, it means toxins are really building up."

**▶ Your surroundings don't have an effect:** "People who work with chemicals or who are exposed to toxic chemicals are at high risk for liver disease."

**▶ Hepatitis is blood-borne:** "Hepatitis A can develop after eating contaminated food. Hepatitis B can be transmitted from mother to child in utero. Hepatitis C is blood-borne. Viral hepatitis leads to liver cancer, and that's one of the few cancers that isn't declining."

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▶ More than 16,000 Americans with liver diseases are waiting for a transplant, but only 6,000 will receive one this year, according to the American Liver Foundation.

## Regeneration nation

**Despite the daily abuses of modern life, an undamaged liver can regenerate itself. That's why many people don't know they have liver damage.**

"Liver disease is so silent for so long," says Cryer. "Seventy percent of patients are unaware anything is wrong. But we need to be aware and catch it before there's a high degree of damage. Once the liver gets overwhelmed, then there's trouble."

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### The equine face of modern warfare

**RE: "OBAMA TOUTS PEACE WHILE ROMNEY ASSAILS 'TUMULT'" (METRO, OCT. 23)** Our Campaigner-in-Chief Obama doesn't know that the U.S. military has more bayonets in its arsenal than at any time in its history and that horses play an important role in the Afghanistan war (soldiers go on horseback in hilly regions).

**MARK NYSTEDT, VIA E-MAIL**

### The egotistical face of modern warfare

**RE: "OBAMA TOUTS PEACE WHILE ROMNEY ASSAILS 'TUMULT'" (METRO, OCT. 23)** As Election Day approaches, let's remember that foreign policy affects the economy. The war in Iraq, for example, will eventually cost about $3 trillion, according to Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Prize-winning economist.

That's almost $10,000 for every person in the United States. Although based on faulty intelligence, Mitt Romney thought the war was a good idea. Barack Obama opposed it. Romney's machismo could result in U.S. participation in another expensive war, perhaps in Iran or Syria, where the situation continues to unravel.

**PAUL ANDERS, VIA E-MAIL**

### The tragic face of modern warfare

**RE: "WHY AREN'T DRONES TOPIC OF DEBATE?" (METRO, OCT. 23)** News columnist Michael J. Frosch thinks legal niceties and rules appeal in war. They don't and have no place in the doctrine of total war.

Applying Mr. Frosch's approach to waging war would delegitimize the Allied effort during WWII. The Allies could not have successfully prosecuted the two wars without killing civilians behind enemy lines. Targeting war production installations, railways and enemy meeting places in large cities unfortunately meant killing civilians. As cold as it sounds, civilians — including children — are part of the war machine.

Obama's administration does not — in fact, no U.S. administration does — deliberately target children and other noncombatants. For Mr. Frosch to imply that is scurrilous and wrong. I doubt he'd make his argument against drone strikes if he lost loved ones in the unprovoked attacks on 9/11.

**MICHAEL BENJAMIN, VIA E-MAIL**

### The debt-ridden face of modern economies

In the aftermath of the financial crisis, the European nations chose austerity to reduce their national debts. Iceland, Ireland and Portugal and Greece took bailouts from the IMF to avoid default. Greece is still rioting. Spain is failing. France recently elected a new government that will stop the austerity measures and try stimulus.

In the U.S., we tried moderate stimulus and have transferred our economy to a slowly growing one.

Why would we even consider the Romney/Ryan austerity budget, similar to the budgets that are pulling Europe under?

**DVORA JONAS, VIA E-MAIL**

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## Horoscope

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Even if this is not your day off, your energies are best suited toward pursuits that are fun or social in nature rather than related to work.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Provided you can act independently, you could be luckier than usual where your material affairs are concerned. Try not to let yourself get hampered with a tagalong.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** If you truly believe that your plans are superior to those of your colleagues, press forward alone. Don't let anybody hold you back.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Your material aspects look better than usual, provided you're enterprising and resourceful. If you have something in mind that you believe would add to your resources, give it a try.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Try to do something fun with friends who are optimistic and hopeful, if you can. Keeping company with stimulating companions will bring out your more attractive qualities.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Don't talk about your intentions prematurely, since what you say could end up being counterproductive. Go about doing what needs doing and let the results speak for themselves.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Use your wonderful gift of expression in a manner that captures the imagination of potential allies, especially when the subject involves your latest interests.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** A critical achievement is possible, but only if you narrow your focus. Additionally, be sure to acknowledge those who help you fulfill your aims.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** You're a good team player to begin with, but you may soon find an ally who will be exceptionally valuable. This partnership could produce something special for all concerned.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** A substantial amount of your time is likely to be spent on helping others sort out their problems. Fortunately, it won't be the kind that you'll resent doing.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** If there's something important that you want to work out with an important client, associate or friend, try to do so in an environment convivial to both parties.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** You'll be most successful working on some important matters that you're anxious to finalize, so put off everything else and get right on them. A few can be done simultaneously.

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**Across**
1 Warm up for a bout
5 "Yup" (hyph.)
10 Dramatic intro (hyph.)
14 Filmmaker — Riefenstahl
15 Flora and fauna
16 — Dutra of golf
17 "Get real!" (2 wds.)
18 Born before
19 Soft, lustrous fur
20 Dogpatch denizen (2 wds.)
22 Put out a book
24 Muddy track
25 Hi-tech scan
26 Happy sounds (hyph.)
29 Gown go-with
32 Photographer — Adams
36 Viking name
37 Comet discoverer
39 Gardner of "Mogambo"
40 Social gatherings
43 911 responder
44 React to pepper
45 "Java" trumpet player
46 Rx directives
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62 Up and about
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65 Leafy vegetable
66 10 to 1, e.g.
67 Celtic language
68 Musher's vehicle
69 Lapis lazuli color
70 Overindulge

**Down**
1 Burger side
2 Tijuana coin
3 Indigo plant
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5 "Lusitania" sinker (hyph.)
6 Knoll
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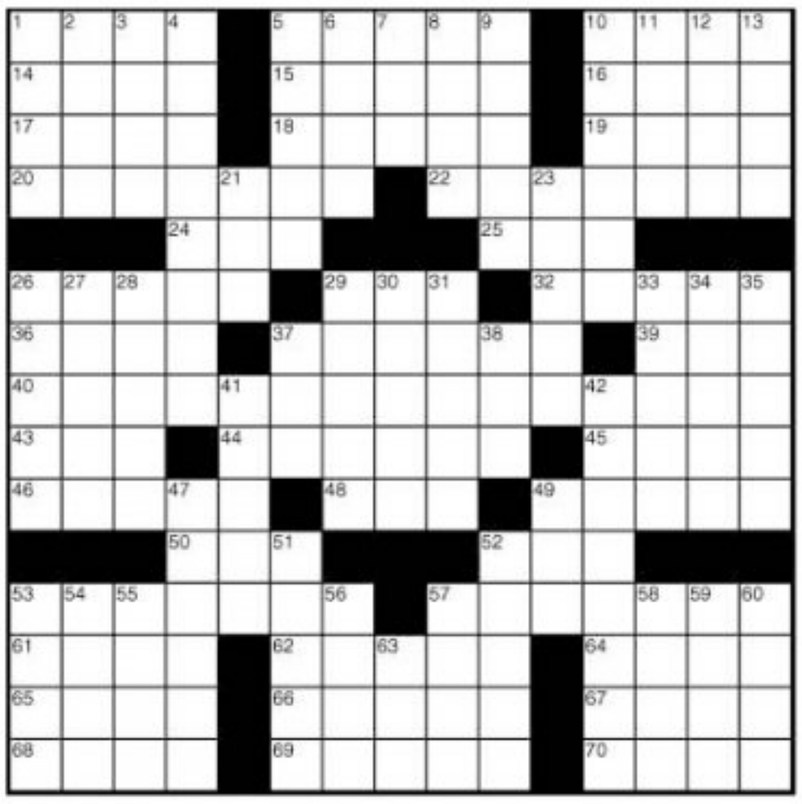

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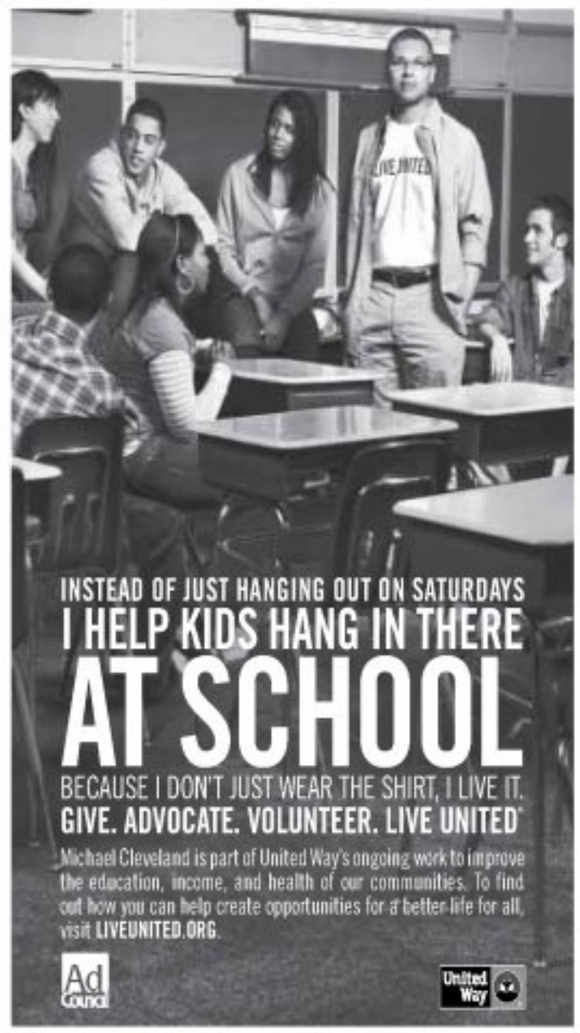
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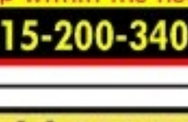
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AND ALSO ordered that based on a Judgment 2:09-cv-05519 EL; the 4067 North Reese Street property be sold free and clear of any right, title, lien, claim, or interest of Jose Torres and Lissette Torres defendants.

WHEREAS, the two subject properties are:

A. Real Property located at 2112 South 7th Street - Philadelphia, PA 19148; and more particularly described as:
Situate on the Northwest corner of Seventh Street and Cantrell Street in the 39th Ward of the City of Philadelphia. Parcel Tax Map (OPA) ID # 393181700.

B. Real property located at 4067 North Reese Street – Philadelphia, PA 19140;
and more particularly described as:
Situate on the Easterly side of Reese Street and Southerly side of Lycoming Street in the 43rd Ward of the City of Philadelphia. Parcel Tax Map (OPA) ID # 433045100.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED as follows:

That the Internal Revenue Service, through its Property Appraisal and Liquidation Specialist ("PALS"), in accordance with Title 28, United States Code, and the procedures of this Court, is authorized under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2001 and 2002 to offer for sale at public auction, and to sell the subject properties. This decree of sale shall act as a special Writ of execution and no further orders or process from the Court shall be required.

# Notice of Judicial Auction Sale

**Date and Time of Auction:** November 14, 2012 at 11:30 a.m.
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**Location of Auction for both properties:**
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Important Information

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"They swept the Yankees — that tells you how good they are," Giants manager Bruce Bochy said of a lineup that features not only Cabrera, but also four-time All-Star Prince Fielder. "But it's similar to St. Louis. I mean, they have such a great lineup. We're going to need to pitch well. We know it."

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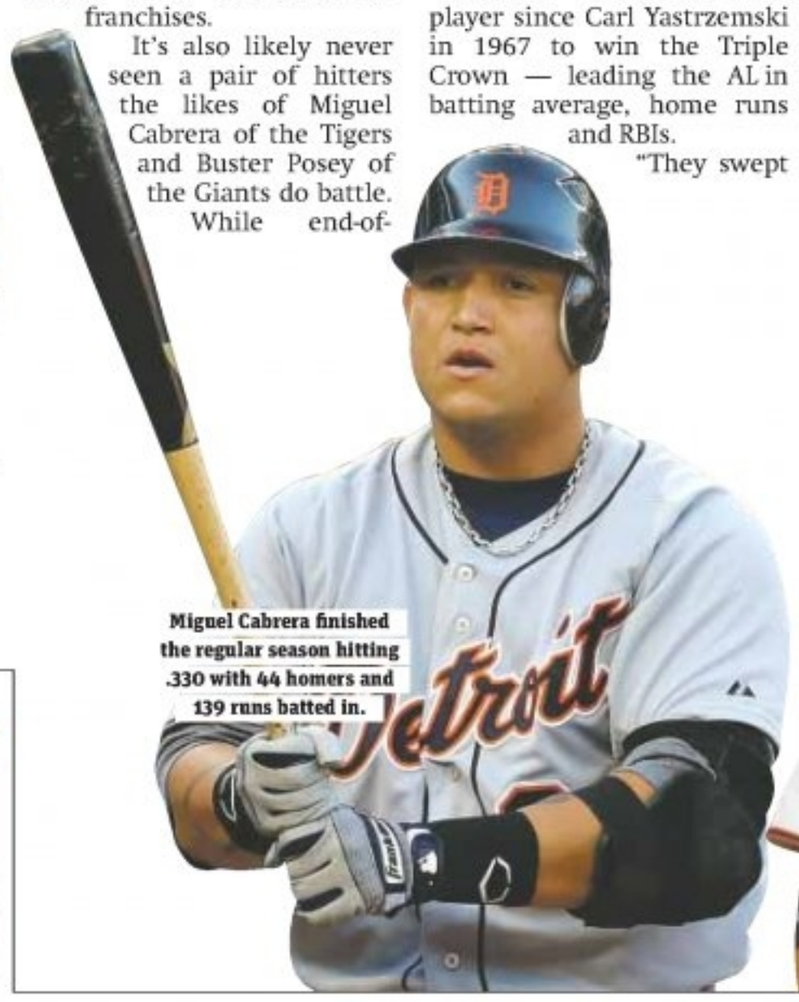

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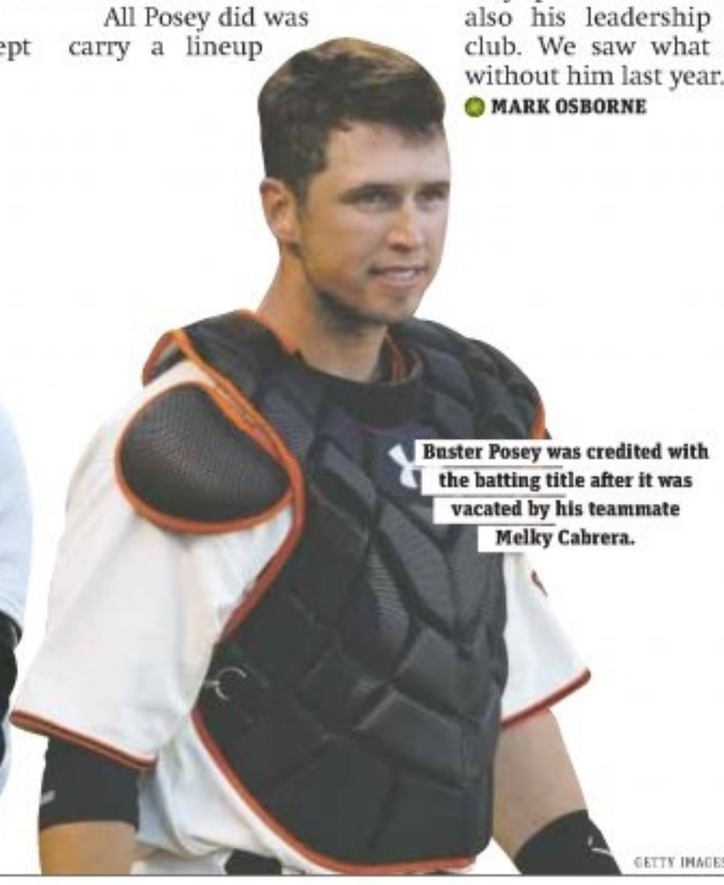

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# Say it ain't so: Marlins give Ozzie the boot

**Miami fires skipper after disappointing first season**
**Castro comments played factor Owed $7.5 million**

The Ozzie Guillen experiment lasted just one season down in Miami.

The Marlins fired the outspoken — and sometimes controversial (Fidel Castro, anyone?) — manager yesterday after a dismal campaign. The team finished last in the NL East at 69-93, its worst mark since 1999. They fell out of contention for good in June when their record dropped below .500.

The Marlins still owe Guillen $7.5 million for the three remaining years on his contract.

"This is not a fun day for me, certainly not for Ozzie or [owner] Jeffrey [Loria] or anybody involved," Marlins president Larry Beinfest said. "This is an organizational failure. But we felt like we needed to make this change so we could move forward."

The highlight of Guillen's tenure wound up being the comments he made praising Castro in an ill-advised magazine interview before the season even started. He later apologized and served a five-game suspension. "It was maybe the worst thing I ever did," Guillen said in September. METRO

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▶ Guillen is the fourth manager the Marlins have hired and fired since 2010.

# Sox introduce Farrell as skipper in Boston

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▶ Yankees fans will have a new manager to root against when the Red Sox come to town in 2013.

General manager Ben Cherington introduced John Farrell as the 46th manager of the Boston Red Sox yesterday, saying, "[John's] integrity, leadership skills and intelligence are second to none and make him the right person for this job."

"This is an incredible privilege to be standing here today," Farrell said. "It speaks to the place in history that the Red Sox have, what this organization has represented, and in my previous experience here it has represented nothing but first class, professionalism and ultimately success."

Farrell promised fans that his team will be "relentless" and will use an "up-tempo" style.

Farrell went 154-170 in two years as manager of the Blue Jays after serving as Red Sox pitching coach under Terry Francona from 2007-2010.

"With the roster that's there now, there's a core group there that you can build around," Farrell said. "I think a couple of things will need to happen [to be a contender in 2013]. ... I think this has got an opportunity to be a fairly quick turnaround and get to the point of contending next year." METRO

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**Farrell had a 154-170 (.475) record as manager in his two years in Toronto. Former manager Bobby Valentine's career win percentage is .505.**


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## Report: Jaguars running back sprained foot

Maurice Jones-Drew is expected to miss significant time as he recovers from a sprained left foot, according to ESPN. The Jaguars star back has been ruled out for Week 8. The news could have been worse for Jones-Drew, who was hurt on the first play from scrimmage Sunday. Many feared he had a Lisfranc injury, but that's not the case, according to the report. Jones-Drew is one of the most explosive players in the NFL. He finished as the league's rushing leader in 2011 (1,606 yards) and has already racked up 414 yards this season for Jacksonville. METRO

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# Refreshed Eagles look to turn season around after long bye week

### Players spend down time relaxing, resting ◗ Now, it's time to prepare for undefeated Atlanta ◗ Vick never questioned status as starting QB

Andy Reid is one of the few coaches in the NFL who gives his players an entire week off on the bye. He wants them to take their minds off football, refresh their batteries and come back ready to attack.

The strategy has worked for the coach, since he holds a 13-0 record following the bye. Some players stay in the area, like Jeremy Maclin, who just relaxed and watched his St. Louis Cardinals drop Game 7 of the NLCS.

Mike Vick went home to Virginia. When his SUV incurred a flat tire along the way, he received help from an auto body shop in Maryland and addressed a group of gymnasts at a local gym there.

While posing for pictures and giving out advice, Vick never once thought about his status of being the starting quarterback for the Eagles.

"No, it was never a time when I didn't know whether I was going to be the starter or not," said Vick. "Quite frankly, I know what I can do when I'm out there and I know what has to happen when I'm out there on the football field. That's my approach now, to go out there and get the job done, we'll see what happens."

The Eagles held a light practice Monday back at the NovaCare Complex. They'll hit it for real today as they look to save a season that appears to be slipping away. Reid's teams tend to thrive at this time of year, holding an 11-4 record in games played after the bye over the last two seasons.

"I think the coaches use the bye to figure out what works and what doesn't. What are we excelling at and what we can get better at," Vick said. "It definitely helps and it's something that you have to do. Hopefully, we can get this thing turned around and I'm optimistic that we will."

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▶ Vick never thought that he would be benched, but if he struggles Sunday, brace yourselves for the Nick Foles chants.

## Patterson back at practice, wants to play

Mike Patterson is one of the cheeriest guys in the Eagles' locker room. The 29-year-old always seems to be in a good mood. Strange, considering all he's been through.

Patterson returned to practice Monday for the first time since undergoing brain surgery. He's not close to being activated, but there is an outside shot he could play.

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▶ Patterson

"I'm not in the rotation right now, so like I said, they're just going to take it slow," he said. "We're going to see how things work out. The big man [Andy Reid], he's just not in a rush to get me out there and risk anything."

Patterson, who suffered a seizure and collapsed on the field at Lehigh in August 2011, wants to play again. The team has until after Week 9 to make a decision. Otherwise, he'll be placed on injured reserve.

"Just kind of happy to be back," Patterson said. "Just got to take it one day at a time and just wait patiently until I get back on that real field." METRO/MG

## Metro's NFL power rankings | by Mike Greger

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**1 FALCONS (6-0)**
We'll chill with the superlatives for a team coming off a bye week still undefeated. If there is one fatal flaw here, it could be Atlanta's run porous defense, which ranks 28th in the NFL (143.8 yards per game). Better watch out this weekend, however; it's a trap game against a desperate Eagles team.

**2 TEXANS (6-1)**
Wade Phillips may never get another head job. He shouldn't want one. He may go down as the greatest defensive coordinator in NFL history.

**3 GIANTS (5-2)**
You can't give Eli Manning the ball with time left on the clock in the fourth quarter — he'll make you pay every single time. Eli has redefined clutch.

**4 49ERS (5-2)**
Starting to see why team pursued Peyton Manning in offseason. Alex Smith can be very average at times. Could pose a problem.

**5 RAVENS (5-2)**
Terrell Suggs looked nimble in his return, but the loss of Lardarius Webb is going to be very hard to overcome. Texans shredded secondary.

**6 BEARS (5-1)**
Offense needs to catch up with suffocating, ball-hawking defense — and learn how to close out games. If that happens — and Jay Cutler's ribs are fine — watch out.

**7 VIKINGS (5-2)**
Quarterback needs to catch up with suffocating, ball-hawking defense — or hope that Adrian Peterson can carry the weight of the Twin Cities on his very broad shoulders.

**8 PACKERS (4-3)**
Guess who's back? Aaron Rodgers was portrait of precision/perfection for a second straight week going 30-of-37 for 342 yards, three TDs.

**9 PATRIOTS (4-3)**
Might be most under-achieving team in the entire NFL. Yet somehow Tom Brady and the gang are in first place. Some things never change.

**10 SEAHAWKS (4-3)**
Last week Russell Wilson was the difference. This past weekend he couldn't get out of his own way. No matter how great this defense plays, the rookie will decide Seattle's fate.

**11 CARDINALS (4-3)**
Three straight losses for the suddenly slumping Cards. Anemic offense ranks 31st in total offense. If Arizona was a stock, it's plummeting. Hope you sold early.

**12 EAGLES (3-3)**
Andy Reid is a perfect 13-0 when his team is coming off the bye week, and they are doing that Sunday vs. Atlanta. This is biggest game of Reid's career.

**13 BRONCOS (3-3)**
The boys finally look like they have picked up Peyton Manning's orchestra routine at the line. Emerging as favorites in AFC West.

**14 STEELERS (3-3)**
This might be Mike Tomlin's most impressive year. Injuries have piled up (who is their running back? starting safety?) but they're surviving.

**15 REDSKINS (3-4)**
Yes, we have Washington ahead of a few teams with better records. Why? Due to a little something called the RG3 factor. It's real and it's spectacular.

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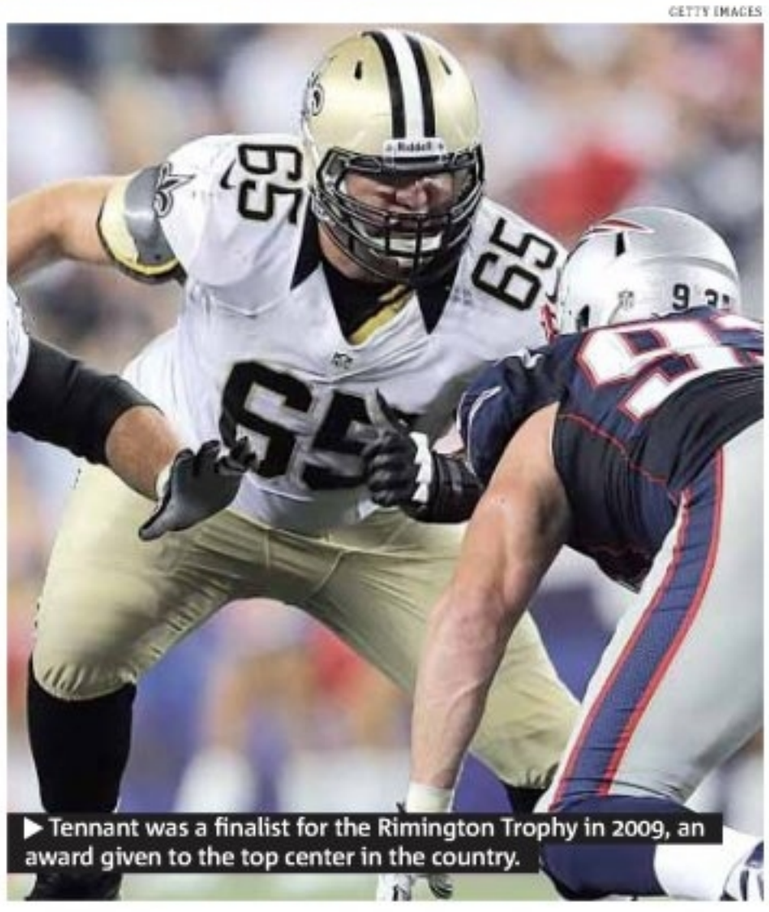

▶ Tennant was a finalist for the Rimington Trophy in 2009, an award given to the top center in the country.

# Birds add line depth, bring in backup center

The Eagles insist it's too early to panic, and too early to drastically overhaul their struggling offensive line. Still, the team is tinkering with a few minor moves as it prepares for the Atlanta Falcons.

The Eagles are set to re-insert King Dunlap at left tackle, the place he started the season before suffering a hamstring injury. He'll take over for Demetress Bell, who has looked tentative at times — especially against Detroit. The team also signed free agent guard/center Matt Tennant and released Steve Vallos.

Tennant, a fifth-round pick in 2010, played 28 games with the Saints from 2010-11. The Patriots picked him up to start the season, then waived the 25-year-old this past weekend. Tennant's primary position is center, something the Eagles are in dire need of since losing starter Jason Kelce.

Dallas Reynolds remains the starter for now, but the move to sign Tennant is a clear indication that there is competition there. Tennant, who will wear No. 68, could have a chance if Reynolds doesn't improve. ● METRO/MG

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# A haunted house at your fingertips

**Style expert Simon Doonan offers some spook-tacular decorating tips ◗ How to make your Halloween party a truly chilling affair ◗ Plus: Dress the part while you host**

For Simon Doonan, the creative ambassador-at-large for Barneys New York, style extends beyond the fashion racks. We tapped him for some Halloween decorating ideas at a dinner party hosted by Ravenswood Wines — which, since its logo features a spooky ring of ravens, should be your go-to pour this Oct. 31. Doonan's advice (for all the grown-ups out there) is to forgo the traditional black and orange in favor of what he calls "gothic glamour" — "sort of like when Cher went through that gothic period, where everything was somber: lots of purples and velvets," he says. You want it to be "creepy but glamorous."

▶ Candles, flowers and red wine set the mood.

WILLIAM BRINSON

## Cater to your crowd

**For children:** "Black and orange is great. With kids you have to be careful not to scare the crap out of them, so it has to stay quite playful."
**For cool cats:** "If you're a young couple, then you need to go full-on heavy metal and really get the Metallica going and go more pop-gothic. Really go a bit crazy and subversive."

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▶ "The first thing is dim the lights and then start from there," Doonan says. "And nothing's off limits. ... Don't be tepid."

HANNAH THOMSON

## Pull off gothic glam with ...

- **Tarot cards.** "Everybody has their own little Halloween obsessions. Me, I love tarot cards," says Doonan. I still look at them and feel vaguely uneasy. They are creepy because you always think she's gonna pull out the grim reaper."
- **Flowers,** in "somber, romantic, blood" colors.
- **Urns.** To Doonan, they represent "glamorous death" and "look like things you keep your granny's ashes in."

## It's all about the costume

1. **Pick a direction.** "Am I gonna do fashion-y, am I gonna be hideous, am I gonna flaunt myself a bit? Maybe you're single and you're looking for a new boyfriend — it's a good time to throw on the fishnets."
2. **Present a different side of yourself.** "If you've got amazing legs but never show them off, then wear something short. Show off a feature that you don't normally rub in other people's faces that you're secretly quite proud of."
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"Because we all live so close to the site, we really considered the neighborhood and what we'd love to see here," says Michelle Ashley, the realtor and interior designer for the project.

Ashley, developer Mark Scott and Christopher Stromberg of Johnston Stromberg Architecture met through the South of South Neighborhood Association. They started throwing around ideas for something that would help attract and retain residents in the up-and-coming area, which Scott says is evolving into a more family-oriented community than Center City, its neighbor immediately to the north.

**"I had my eye on this piece of property for several years. We were trying to find a project, and this was pretty much the most exciting one I could imagine."**
**MARK SCOTT**

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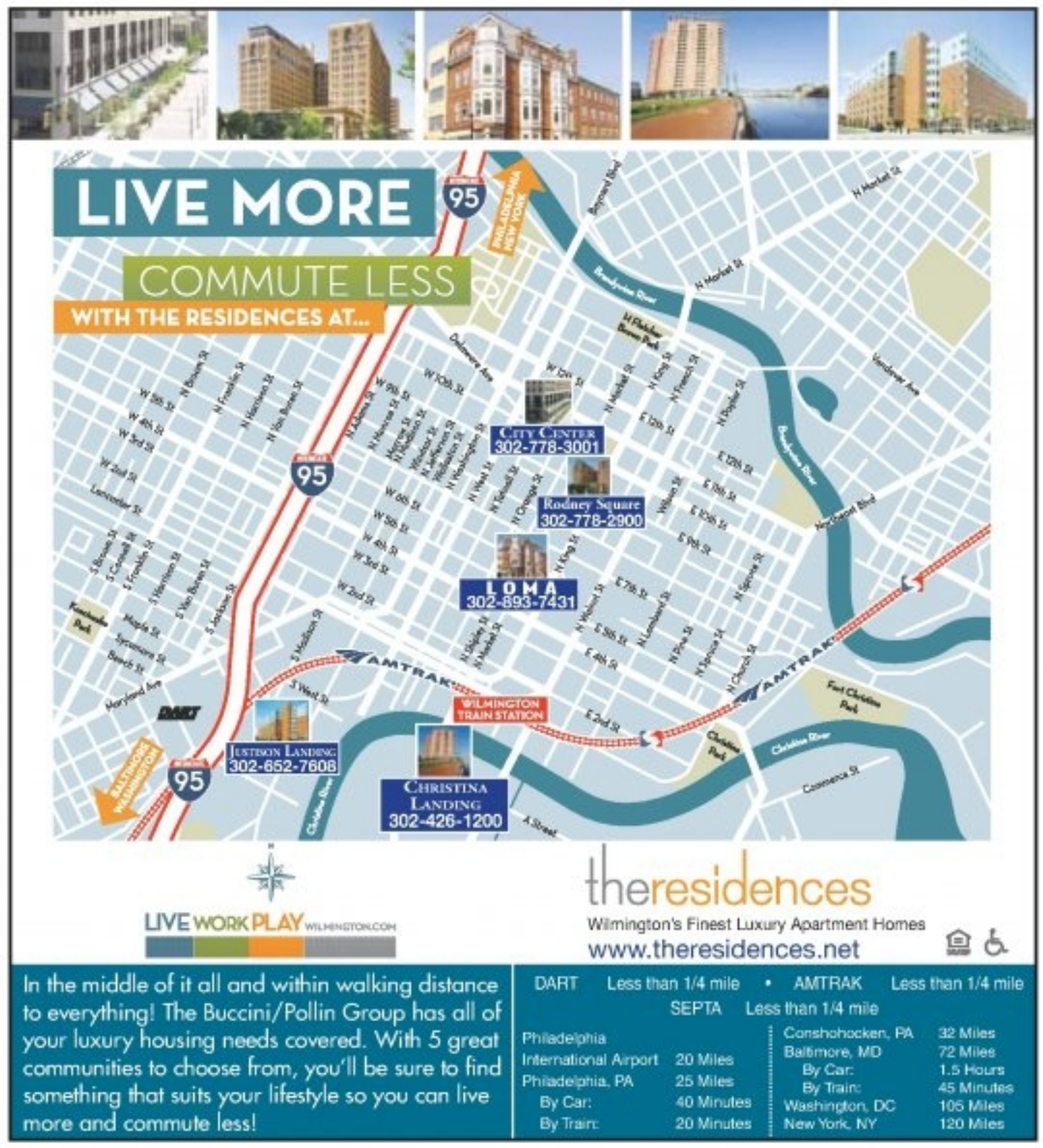
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